HEALTHY PEOPLE 2000 Environmental RESOURCE LIST

This resource list contains references to Federal, State, and local government agencies as well as private organizations that offer information resources related to the environmental health objectives of Healthy People 2000. Because many States have adopted their own year 2000 objectives, you may wish to contact your State health department for additional information.

Environmental Health

LEAD AGENCIES:

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences P.O. Box 12233

Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (919)541-3484

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Center for Environmental Health Mailstop F28 4770 Buford Highway, NE Atlanta, GA 30341-3724 (770)488-7300

YEAR 2000 OBJECTIVES

- ▶ Reduce asthma morbidity
- > Reduce serious mental retardation
- Reduce outbreaks of waterborne diseases and chemical poisoning
- ▶ Reduce high blood lead levels
- > Reduce exposure to air pollutants
- Increase home radon testing
- Reduce exposure to toxic agents
- Reduce exposure to solid waste
- Increase supply of safe drinking water
- Reduce health risks from surface water
- Increase home testing for lead-based paint
- Expand construction standards to minimize indoor radon levels
- Increase disclosure of lead and radon concentrations in homes
- Eliminate health risks from the National Priority List hazardous waste sites
- Establish programs for recyclable materials and household waste
- See Establish plans to define and track sentinel diseases
- Reduce child exposure to tobacco smoke at home

Federal and National Information Sources

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Public Inquiries 1600 Clifton Road NE Mailstop A23

Atlanta, GA 30333

(404)639-3534

(404)639-1537 FAX

Refers inquiries from the public and professionals to the appropriate area at CDC.

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)

P.O. Box 12233

Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

(919)541-3484

(919)541-2260 FAX

Supports and conducts basic research on the interaction between humans and potentially toxic or harmful agents in the environment. Publications list available.

ENVIRO-HEALTH

(800)643-4794

An NIEHS clearinghouse that functions as an easily accessible, free source of information on environmental health effects.

National Library of Medicine

MEDLARS Management

8600 Rockville Pike

Bethesda, MD 20894

(800)638-8480

(301)496-6193

(301)496-4450 FAX

MEDLINE and other online databases contain 15 million bibliographic records of journal articles, books, and audiovisuals that make up the scientific literature of medicine. Reading rooms are open to the public.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HUD User

P.O. Box 6091 Rockville, MD 20850 (800)245-2691 (301)251-5154 (301)251-5747 FAX

Computer-based information service that disseminates research results. Database is inhouse and can be searched by HUD User staff. Health-related topics include poisoning from lead-based paints used in housing and lead-based paint training kits for lead abatement professionals.

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Public Information Center

401 M Street, SW Room 3404

Washington, DC 20460

(202)260-2080

(202)260-6257 FAX

Offers public information materials on such topics as hazardous wastes, radon, indoor air quality, asbestos, air and water pollution, pesticides, and drinking water. Responds to mail and telephone inquiries. The public may visit the PIC Visitor Center between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Call for electronic product information.

Healthy People 2000 is a national initiative to improve the health of all Americans through prevention. It is driven by 300 specific national objectives targeted for achievement by the year 2000. Healthy People 2000's overall goals are to: increase the span of healthy life, reduce health disparities among Americans, and achieve access to preventive services.

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NATIONAL SOURCES

American Industrial Hygiene Association

2700 Prosperity Avenue Suite 250 Fairfax, VA 22031-4307 (703)849-8888 (703)207-3561 FAX

Dedicated to protecting worker and community health and safety. Publishes monthly journal, newsletter, and various technical publications; cosponsors large annual conference and exposition; and offers laboratory accreditation and testing program. Informational pamphlets on various health and safety topics are available.

American Lung Association

1740 Broadway New York, NY 10019-4374 (800)586-4872 (212)315-8700 (212)265-5642 FAX

Offers programs about lung disease for adults and children. Provides print and audiovisual materials (some in Spanish) on activities to prevent and control lung hazards and lung diseases, including emphysema, asthma, and tuberculosis, as well as information on air pollution and lung health.

American Public Health Association

1015 Fifteenth Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 (202)789-5600 (202)789-5661/5681 FAX

Develops standards; promulgates recommended rules; and publishes pamphlets, books, model codes, and educational materials.

State and Local Sources

Look in your telephone directory for such listings as:

- State and local chapters of national organizations
- National and local citizens coalitions and advocacy groups
- State and local health and environment departments
- Local libraries
- State information hotlines

Environmental Action Coalition

625 Broadway 2nd Floor New York, NY 10012-2611 (212)677-1601 (212)505-8613 FAX

Offers environmental education and sponsors programs for professionals, the general public, teachers, and students. Offers curriculum and audiovisual materials, a library resource center, and technical assistance for local governments.

Environmental Action Foundation

Suite 600
Takoma Park, MD 20912
(301)891-1100
(301)891-2218 FAX
Builds strategic alliances with

6930 Carroll Avenue

Builds strategic alliances with grassroots activists advocating Federal, State, and local policies to ensure toxic use reduction and pollution prevention, lessen materials consumption, and promote renewable energy and conservation.

Environmental Defense Fund

257 Park Avenue South 16th Floor New York, NY 10010 (212)505-2100 (212)505-0892 FAX

Links science, economics, and law to create innovative, economically viable solutions to today's environmental problems. Promotes research, public education, and administrative and legislative action on the protection and improvement of environmental quality and public health.

National Environmental Health Association

720 South Colorado Boulevard Suite 970, South Tower Denver, CO 80222 (303)756-9090 (303)691-9490 FAX

Promotes high educational standards and provides a continuing education program for professionals. Provides general career information. Call for electronic product information.

Natural Resources Defense Council

40 West 20th Street 11th Floor New York, NY 10011 (212)727-2700 (212)727-1773 FAX

Uses legal action, scientific research, and public education to preserve the environment and protect the public health.

Rachel Carson Council, Inc.

8940 Jones Mill Road Chevy Chase, MD 20815 (301)652-1877 (301)951-7179 FAX Publishes pamphlets and b

Publishes pamphlets and booklets on the human and environmental health hazards of pesticides and other toxic chemicals.

Federal Data Sources

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry 1600 Clifton Road, NE Atlanta, GA 30333

(404)639-0700

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Center for Environmental Health 4770 Buford Highway, NE Atlanta, GA 30341-3724 (770)488-7000

National Center for Health Statistics

Healthy People 2000 Staff 6525 Belcrest Road, Room 770 Hyattsville, MD 20782 (301)436-3548

U.S Environmental Protection Agency Public Information Center PM-211B 401 M Street, SW Washington, DC 20460 (202)260-2080

Toxicology Information Response Center

Oak Ridge National Lab 1060 Commerce Park, Mail Stop 6480 Oak Ridge, TN 37830 (615)576-1746 (615)574-9888 FAX

Provides information and reference services on individual chemicals and a wide variety of toxicology-related and environmental topics. Provides fee-based services such as comprehensive literature packets tailored to individual requests.



For General Information on Healthy People 2000:

Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, U.S. Public Health Service, 330 C Street, SW, Room 2132, Washington, DC 20201; (202)205-8583.

For Healthy People 2000 Publications:

Please write to ODPHP National Health Information Center, P.O. Box 1133, Washington, DC 20013-1133.

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